

REMARKS

The enclosed is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on June 23, 2009. At the time the Examiner mailed the Office Action claims 12-15 were pending. By way of the present response the Applicants have: 1) amended claims 12; 2) canceled claim 15; 3) added no new claim; and 4) argued the patentability of the independent claims 1, 15, and 21. As such, claims 12-14 are now pending. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application and the allowance of all claims now presented in view of the amendments and following arguments and remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter:

In the Office Action mailed on June 23, 2009, claim 15 was found allowable. In order to expedite the prosecution, subject matter of claim 15 has been added to the independent claim 12 and claim 15 has been cancelled. Hence, claims 12-14 are in the condition for allowance. Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for thoroughly examining the application and finding claim 15 allowable.

Conclusion:

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the present Application is in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and a Notice of Allowance. If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2652 (Order No.A288). The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 650-427-3096 to discuss any additional changes the Examiner may feel is necessary in light of this Amendment.

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